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In the Claims:

Listing of all claims:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A pouch machine comprising:
2 a controller;

3 a first module, including a first converting
4 station, wherein the controller is operatively connected to
5 the first converting station, and wherein the first module
6 further includes a first operating parameter output and an
7 operating speed output; and

8 a second module, including a second converting
9 station, wherein the second module further includes a second
10 operating parameter input, connected to the first operating
11 parameter output such that the controller is operatively
12 connected to the second converting station, and an operating
13 speed input connected to the operating speed output, wherein
14 the second module receives a film from the first module and
15 wherein the second module is responsive to the speed input
16 and the second operating parameter input.

1 2. (Currently Amended) The pouch machine of claim
2 1, further comprising a third module, including a third
3 converting station, wherein the third module further includes a
4 third operating parameter input and the second module further
5 includes a second operating parameter output, connected to the
6 third operating parameter input such that the controller is
7 operatively connected to the third converting station, wherein
8 the third module further includes a second operating speed input
9 and the second module further includes a second operating speed
10 output, connected to the second operating speed input.

1 3. (Original) The pouch machine of claim 2
2 wherein:

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3 the first converting station is an infeed station;
4 the second converting station is one of the group
5 consisting of a zipper sealer station, a long sealer station, a
6 cross sealer station, a cross seal extension station, and a
7 slider station; and

8 the third converting station is one of the group
9 consisting of a zipper sealer station, a long sealer station, a
10 cross sealer station, a cross seal extension station, and a
11 slider station.

1 4. (Currently Amended) The pouch machine of claim
2 3, further comprising a fourth module, including a cut-off
3 station, wherein the fourth module further includes a fourth
4 operating parameter input and the third module further includes a
5 third operating parameter output, connected to the fourth
6 operating parameter input such that the controller is operatively
7 connected to the fourth converting station, wherein the fourth
8 module further includes a third operating speed input and the
9 third further includes a third operating speed output, connected
10 to the third operating speed input.

1 5. (Original) The pouch machine of claim 3,
2 wherein the first, second and third modules have interconnected
3 power.

1 6. (Previously Amended) The pouch machine of
2 claim 1, further comprising a common user interface.

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